



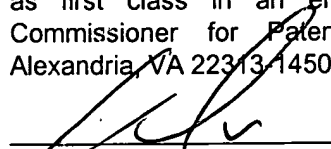
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Title: Internal Indifferent Electrode
Device For Use With Lesion Creation
Apparatus And Method Of Forming
Lesions Using Same

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RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

DATED AUGUST 26, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 26, 2003, time for response to which as been extended by the enclosed petition to October 26, 2003, applicant provisionally elects Invention I (claims 1-27) without traverse for prosecution on the merits. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected invention(s).

Early and favorable consideration of the elected invention are respectfully requested. Allowance of the claims at an early date is courteously solicited. If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicants' undersigned representative at (310) 563-1458 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

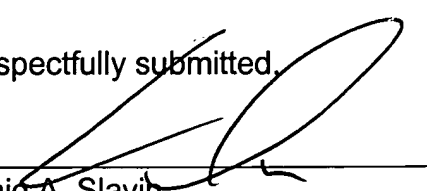
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0638. Should such

fees be associated with an extension of time, applicant respectfully requests that this paper be considered a petition therefor.

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